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Joint Press Release
New Mexico Activities Association and Gateway Christian School

ALBUQUERQUE, NM- The New Mexico Activities Association has concluded an investigation of Gateway Christian School.

The allegations were that Gateway Christian School or an employee was recruiting student athletes in violation of Bylaw 6.1.3. The NMAA deemed some of the allegations to be credible relating to one coach. The coach was suspended by the NMAA for a period of two years. Sanctions were imposed on Gateway Christian School which included a three year probationary period for all athletic programs, no eligibility to receive the Director's Cup for the 2006-2007 school year, and paying a fine to cover the costs of the NMAA's investigation.

Gateway Christian affirms its desire to continue as a member school in good standing with the NMAA and allow its students to participate in extracurricular activities governed by the NMAA. As a member school Gateway Christian is accountable to the NMAA and takes full responsibility for the actions of any of the school's coaches, teachers and administrators. The school is taking measures to avoid any future violations of the rules and regulations of the NMAA. The NMAA will proceed in a positive working relationship with the Gateway Christian School administration to ensure that all of its extra-curricular programs adhere to all NMAA rules and regulations.

For more information regarding this announcement, please contact Robert Zayas, NMAA Director of Communications, at (505) 977-5386.